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Talbot County Historic Preservation Commission

Meeting Minutes
Date: 06/12 /17
Location: Conference Room #1 - Department of Planning and Zoning – 215 Bay Street, Easton, MD

HPC Members		
Name	Attended	Comments
Marsha Kacher, Chair	*	
Robert Amdur	*	
Dorothy Fenwick	*	
Victor MacSorley	*	
Ronald Mitchell	*	
Robert Mueller	*	
Cindy Schmidt	*	
Staff and Guests		
Talbot County Department of Planning and Zoning, Martin Sokolich, Maria Brophy		

Agenda and Notes

Call to order – 3:00 p.m.

I. Roll Call

A. Attendance

B. Review minutes from May 8th meeting

C. Correction

1. P.3; the correct word is describes
2. Motion of approval of the minutes passed with correction

II. Old Business

A. Update on Phase II Hazard Mitigation Plan

Field visits have been conducted; draft report is expected by June 30.

Ashley from Vision consulting was accompanied by Cindy. Some gaps were found in the posed addresses in Phase I forms. Village residents were positive and understanding

about the survey work. The Phase II survey classified buildings by architecture and degree of modification from assumed original construction and degree of subsequent mitigation.

B. Phase 1 final comments

Commission would like printed copies of report for HPC and for library.

C. Easton Survey Community Presentation

No contact with Elizabeth Beckley to date, presentation to be designed.

D. Working Waterfronts Grants

Next steps should be discussed in order to preserve historic and community character and promote economic development. Another grant project looked at Tilghman and Bellevue as traditional maritime communities in need of assistance in order to remain viable. The community involvement in planning was outlined. There was some discussion of the potential role of the TCHPC in preserving and promoting these areas?

E. Follow Up on Longwoods School House

Administrative discussion on how to support and make best use of resource. Other assets also underutilized with no plans to maintain. Serious questions about this Commission's role in these efforts.

Suggested uses for schoolhouse included restoration classes or seminars. School system should reinvigorate interest in student visits. Another organization should become involved in use and stewardship, as with Easton railway station, taking over management for a nominal fee.

F. Weather It Together

Seminar co-hosted by MHT and local governments, evaluating the cooperation between historic preservation and hazard mitigation.

G. Final Passage of 2018 HPC Budget

III. New Business

A.

IV. Open Floor

V. Adjourn

Motion to close the meeting at 4:00 p.m. (Amdur, second by MacSorley) passed 5-0-0 (Fenwick, Mitchell absent for the vote).

Follow-up:

- Staff to verify whether the 3 months of site visit reports have been sent out to the property owners.
- Staff will verify HPC member terms.

